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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Applicants request consideration of the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449. These documents were cited in the International Search Report for PCT/FR2003/003817, of which the present application is the U. S. national phase, or are U. S. counterparts of documents cited in the ISR.

It is understood that copies of the documents cited in the ISR have been forwarded to the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office by the International Bureau; further copies are not enclosed. Moreover, copies of the listed U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications are not enclosed since it is no longer required according to the July 11, 2003 waiver of the requirement for copies of cited U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications in national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 and international applications entering the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 after June 30, 2003.

The English-language International Search Report, a copy of which is enclosed, serves as a brief statement of relevance for each of the documents cited therein. In addition, for WO 00/37549, applicants have cited this reference in the specification and are citing its U. S. counterpart, Canpont et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,462,104 B1, to serve as an English translation. For FR 2817262, applicants have cited this reference in the specification and

are citing its U. S. counterpart, Jackson et al. US 2004/0044113 A1, to serve as an English translation. For WO 98/58997, applicants have cited this reference in the specification and are citing its U. S. counterpart, Canpont et al. US 2004/077767 A1, to serve as an English translation. The following U. S. patents are also cited as counterparts of the cited European patents: for EP 0982268, Burns et al. U. S. Patent No. 6,051,672; for EP 0900829, Griffith et al. U. S. Patent No. 5,908,660; for EP 0778307, Fisher U. S. Patent No. 5,679,725; for EP 1217042, Boudreau et al. US 2002/0145227; and for EP 0475132, Kaijou U. S. Patent No. 5,651,921.

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